



green party of alaska

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Help Greens build a better Alaska future with healthy communities, sustainable economies and a clean environment.

The Green Party invites all Alaskans to a new kind of politics that finds creative solutions to difficult problems using the empowering process of consensus. Young people are invited to join the Green Party, with full participation, before reaching voting age as part of a needed voice for a better future.

Instant Runoff Voting is used to elect Green Party officers in multi-candidate elections; assuring voters have maximum power to show majority support for a candidate without requiring a runoff vote.

The Green Party utilizes guiding principles for its actions, expressed through 10 Key Values :

*Community-based Economics x Grassroots Democracy x Ecological Wisdom x Future Focus x Decentralization
Respect for Diversity x Feminism x Global Responsibility x Personal/Social Responsibility/Social Justice x Nonviolence*

***The Green Party is values-based, not beholden to corporate and other special interests.
We are in a unique position to take a holistic look at the serious issues facing Alaska***

Fiscal Plan: Enact an oil windfall profits tax above \$18 per barrel, equalizing state and oil company profits. There would be no budget gap had this been implemented the past two years. Additional revenues require everyone's help corporations, tourists, summer workers and residents. **A summer sales tax, general sales tax or income tax, should be considered, if needed.** Alaskans can no longer allow corporate control over state spending or legislative inaction and the unfair taxes that were proposed.

Health Care: Implement statewide access to healthcare and childcare for all Alaskans (including outpatient medications) as the Green Party first proposed in 1990. Education, intervention and treatment are integral parts of the plan for a healthier Alaska.

Green Economics: Gain additional economic self-sufficiency by creating value-added products from raw materials before export to reduce Outside economic control. Implement a product development corporation to help establish a sustainable, environmentally safe, small manufacturing economy.

Subsistence: Guarantee continuing access to subsistence resources the core part of all Alaska Native cultures involving special skills and knowledge, sharing and other cultural values. Resource survival and subsistence economies are top priorities. Sport and commercial uses are secondary.

Energy: Alaskans can lead the nation to energy security through conservation, building the all-Alaska gas line that will also serve the rail belt, and developing hydrogen as a future fuel. Sun, wind, and geothermal energy provide additional potential.

Arctic Refuge: It makes no sense to open the Arctic Refuge. 30 to 40 years worth of oil are available in the areas already open. **The state would lose 40% of the revenue on Refuge oil.** Most natural gas lies outside the Refuge. **Alaska can provide national energy security and keep the Arctic Refuge intact.**

Corporate Reform: Create meaningful penalties for corporate crime such as jail time for corporate executives and repeal of corporate charters. Corporations should pay their fair share of taxes.

Democracy: Get big special interest money out of politics, implement public financing of elections, and eliminate corporate and special interest contributions. Outside contributions should not be allowed.

Law and Order: Spend largest sum of money on education, intervention and treatment to reduce the need for police enforcement and prisons. Implement conflict resolution, youth courts and tribal courts as better alternatives to the current adversarial court proceedings. For profit prisons should *not* be allowed.

Defense: Stop military expenditures for unworkable, programs like the Star Wars National Missile Defense System. Such military pork provides only temporary chump change jobs while defense contractors make billions, and gives some to our Congressional Delegation. Alaska becomes a nuclear military target, and is left with toxic waste.

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